

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 00-659-A)

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| In re Application of: Jing |) |
| Serial No.: 09/995,515 |) Before the Examiner: J. Andres |
| Filed: November 28, 2001 |) Group Art Unit: 1646 |
| For: Transforming Growth Factor- |) |
| Beta-Related Molecules |) |
| and Uses Thereof |) |
| Commissioner for Patents | |
| P.O. Box 1450 | |
| Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | |
| Sir: | |

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 15, 2004

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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